Friday Bulletin

News from the Alaska State Libraries, Archives & Museums

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APK Building Honored for its Terrazzo Floor

The National Terrazzo & Mosaic Association, an industry group, has given an Honor Award to the new Father Andrew P. Kashevaroff (APK) State Library, Archives and Museum building in Juneau for

its 10,000-square-foot epoxy terrazzo installation. The atrium's terrazzo floor includes a detailed and accurately scaled map of Alaska and part of Russia, incorporating three contrasting colors of recycled concrete aggregate and zinc and brass divider strips. ECI/Hyer Inc. of Anchorage was the architect, and Corradini Corp. of Fountain Valley, Calif., was the terrazzo contractor. To see the terrazzo floor: https://ntma.com/7102-slam/

The legislature named the building, which opened in June 2016, to honor the Alaska Territory's first museum curator and historical librarian.

APK Summer hours start 5/15/2017

The Alaska State Museum will begin summer hours on Monday, May 15, 2017. The museum will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., seven days a week, except holidays. Summer hours will remain in effect through mid-September.

Summer admission at the museum is \$12 for adults, \$11 discounted senior rate and visitors age 18 and under are admitted free. An annual pass that allows unlimited visits to the Alaska State Museum and the Sheldon Jackson Museum in Sitka is available for \$25. Please contact visitor services at 465.2901 for any questions or to arrange assistance for visitors with special needs.

The State Library reading room and the State Archives research center hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Staff at the library and archives are available by phone or e-mail Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

SJM summer hours start 5/2/2017

The Sheldon Jackson Museum is changing hours and admission prices for the summer season. Beginning Tuesday, May 2nd, the museum will be open Tuesday through Saturday from 9am until 4:30pm. The museum is closed state holidays.

Beginning May 2nd general admission will be \$7 for adults and \$6 for seniors. Visitors ages 18 and younger, Friends of Sheldon Jackson Museum, and individuals with Alaska State Museum and Sheldon Jackson Museum passes will be admitted free.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

Juneau, Anchorage Libraries to be NASA@ My Library Partners

Boldly going where few Alaska libraries have gone before, the Anchorage Public Library and the Juneau Public Libraries have been selected as NASA@ My Library Partners. They will present

NASA@ My Library-related programming from May 1, 2017 – October 31, 2018 (Phase I), with the option to continue into December 2020 (Phase II).

NASA@ My Library Partners will receive:

- Two NASA STEM Facilitation Kits (total value: \$750) designed for use in hands-on STEM programming facilitated by library staff or outside groups, such as NASA subject matter experts. The kits will include STEM tools and hands-on activities based on the following themes: "Sun-Earth-Moon Connections" and "Expanding Your Senses."
- A tablet computer, pre-loaded with apps, educational games and visualizations relevant to the kit materials.
- A \$500 programming grant.
- Inclusion in a two-day NASA workshop in Denver (Feb. 28 to March 1, 2018).
- An \$800 stipend for travel costs for the NASA workshop.
- Promotion to NASA subject matter expert networks for potential program partnerships.
- Training webinars about using the NASA@ My Library materials in programming.
- Ongoing networking opportunities with participating libraries.

Participating libraries will hold public programs that engage various age groups and utilize the NASA STEM Facilitation Kits, NASA educational resources and/or NASA subject matter experts. Programs include national and international STEM/space events (such as Earth Day, the 2017 solar eclipse or International Observe the Moon Night), as well as storytimes, maker clubs, Science Cafes and other STEM-related offerings. The programs will be held between May 2017 and October 2018.

NASA@ My Library Partners that participate in Phase 2 (November 2018 to December 2020) will receive additional NASA STEM Facilitation Kits and other resources, as well as ongoing training and support to continue their STEM program initiatives.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Allakaket Community Publishes Digital Picture Book of an Athabaskan Legend

During two days in February, 37 students, teachers and elders gathered at Allakaket School to participate in a digital publishing workshop that resulted in the creation of *Tobaan Utsuh*, a digital picture book adapted from a traditional Athabaskan legend that goes back for generations. *Tobaan Utsuh* was originally an oral story and now for the first time the story has been captured into a modern digital format that can be easily shared for everyone to enjoy. Read More (Reprinted from DEED Information Exchange 4/28/2017)

Presidential Press Pool finds library best spot to hang out in Florida

When President Donald Trump visits his part-time Palm Beach home, the press pool inevitably ends up at one place: the library. For details see:

This local library is a hot spot for national reporters covering Trump. Webb, Kristina. Palm Beach Post (web edition), 3/21/2017. - http://www.palmbeachpost.com/news/local/this-local-library-hot-spot-for-national-reporters-covering-trump/sboHgJPilAGwod1tVnBkbM/

American Library Association Award Winners

The American Library Association recently issued a number of association awards:

- Satia Marshall Orange recipient of 2017 EMIERT Distinguished Librarian Award
- Steven Woolfolk receives the 2017 Lemony Snicket Prize for Noble Librarians Faced with Adversity
- Kansas City Public Library wins Paul Howard Award for Courage
- Ernest Ingles Named ALA 2017 Ken Haycock Award Winner
- Mark Miller named ALA Trustee Citation recipient

Library of Congress celebrates Asian Pacific and Jewish American Heritage Month

New on the Web from the Library of Congress:

- Asian Pacific Heritage Month
- Jewish American Heritage Month

May is both Asian Pacific Heritage Month and Jewish American Heritage Month. The Library of Congress and other federal agencies join in paying tribute to the Asian and Pacific Americans and the Jewish Americans who have enriched America's history and are instrumental to its future success.

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